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SUBJ: MARCEL CADIEUX AS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO EC

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1. MARCEL CADIEUX ENJOYED A THOROUGHLY SUCCESSFUL TOUR AS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE EC. EXPERIENCED, SAVVY, AND WIDELY-RESPECTED, HE ACCOMPLISHED THE JOB HE WAS PRIMARILY SENT HERE TO DO--I.E., TO NEGOTIATE A FRAMEWORK EC-CANADA COOPERATION AGREEMENT. UPON ARRIVAL IN BRUSSELS HE QUICKLY ESTABLISHED RAPPORT WITH A BROAD RANGE OF EC OFFICIALS AND SMOOTHLY WENT ABOUT THE NEGOTIATING TASK. HE WAS SIMILARLY SUCCESSFUL IN WORKING HIS WAY THROUGH THE SERIOUS NUCLEAR FUELS SUPPLY ISSUE WHICH PLAGUED CANADA-EC RELATIONS FOR SOME TIME AND HELPING TO MOVE THAT PROBLEM TOWARD A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY OTTAWA ARE AWARE, CADIEUX WAS FREQUENTLY AWAY FROM BRUSSELS DURING THE LAST YEAR OF HIS INCUMBENCY AS AMBASSADOR TO EC BECAUSE OF HIS CONCURRENT INVOLVEMENT IN US-CANADIAN FISHERIES AND OTHER PROBLEMS.

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3. DURING MY MANY CONVERSATIONS WITH CADIEUX OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS OR SO, IT WAS EVIDENT THAT WHILE CADIEUX WAS THOROUGHLY UP ON HIS EC AND U.S. DOSSIERS, HIS OVER-RIDING INTEREST LAY IN INTERNAL CANADIAN AFFAIRS, PARTICULARLY THE SEPARATIST PROBLEM. HE MADE IT CLEAR THAT HE IS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO THE MAINTENANCE OF

CANADA'S INTEGRITY AND THAT GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY HE WOULD
DEVOTE HIS PROFESSIONAL EFFORTS TO THAT CAUSE. PRE-
SUMABLY HIS NEW APPOINTMENT WILL AFFORD HIM SOME SCOPE
IN THAT DIRECTION. HINTON

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